

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

A clean copy of the Abstract of the Disclosure is provided as an Attachment (A) to this response.

Please amend the Abstract of the Disclosure as follows:

The present invention is a system and method for rapid network failure detection, identification and notification to internet users. It is ~~particular~~ particularly applicable to VoIP applications where such real-time problem identification is ~~particular~~ particularly valuable. It reduces failure detection time by coordinating the sending frequency of RTP and RTCP packets. These incoming packets are monitored and the failure to receive a predetermined number in a specified time window indicates that a network problem has occurred. This problem is then promptly communicated to users of the system.